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SUBJ: COMMENTS ON MEETING NOVEMBER 12 (SALT TWO-847)

1. AT TODAY'S MEETING, I MADE STATEMENT SUPPORTING THE CONTENTS OF OUR PROPOSAL FOR AGREED STATEMENT TO DEFINE DELIBERATE CONCEALMENT MEASURES IN PARA 3 OF ARTICLE XVII. SEMENOV'S STATEMENT TABLED LANGUAGE FOR ARTICLE IV AS FOLLOWS:
PARA 1, NOT TO START CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL FIXED ICBM LAUNCHERS;
PARA 2, NOT TO RELOCATE FIXED ICBM LAUNCHERS; PARA 3, NOT TO CONVERT LAUNCHERS FOR LIGHT ICBMS TO LAUNCHERS FOR HEAVIES;
PARA 5 (RAPID RELOAD); PARA 6, EXCESS NUMBERS UNDER CONSTRUCTION. HE ALSO URGED "PROGRESS" ON ARTICLE II (DEFINITIONS).

2. WHEN, IN OUR PRIVATE CONVERSATION, I NOTED THE OMISSION IN HIS STATEMENT OF ANY REFERENCE TO PARA 4 (SILO ENLARGEMENT) AND OUR PARA 5 (CEILING ON HEAVY ICBMS), HE SAID THAT HE HAD SAID NOTHING ON THESE BECAUSE "THEY WERE BEING DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE." IN MENTIONING CEILING ON HEAVY ICBMS, I NOTED THAT THIS WAS OF COURSE RELATED TO DEFINITION

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OF HEAVY ICBM IN ARTICLE II, BUT HE MADE NO COMMENT. IN

RESPONSE TO HIS IMPLICATION THAT WE WERE UNNECESSARILY COMPLICATING ICBM-DEFINITION QUESTION AND THAT, AFTER THEIR MOVE TODAY ON ARTICLE IV, WE WOULD MAKE SOME RECIPROCAL MOVES, I POINTED OUT THAT WE WERE STILL WAITING FOR REPLIES FROM THEM ON OUR PROPOSALS ON ARTICLE X (SEABED MISSILES AND FOBS), XVI (SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATIONS) AND XX (COMING INTO EFFECT). I ALSO NOTED THAT I HAD EXPRESSED VIEWS TO THEM ON THEIR ARTICLE XII (EFFECTIVE DATE OF AGGREGATES).

3. NOTE: THEIR PROPOSAL TODAY ON RAPID RELOAD CORRESPONDS IN SUBSTANCE VERY CLOSELY TO OUR PROPOSAL, EXCEPT OF COURSE FOR THEIR USE OF TERM "FIXED LAND-BASED." THEIR PROPOSAL DOES NOT MAKE ANY SPECIFIC EXEMPTION FOR EXISTING SOFT ICBM SITES, SMOLIN IMPLIED TO EARLE THAT THEY EXPECT THESE TO BE DISMANTLED BY OCTOBER 1977.

4. THEIR WILL BE NO HIGHLIGHTS CABLE THIS MEETING.

5. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 19, US MISSION.JOHNSON

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